

CLAIMS:

1. A method, system, apparatus, and computer program product for portable electronically-stored document data profiling, comprising:
 - (1) allows users to search files in an electronic archive based on pre-determined content information and/or metadata and then to drag-and-drop selected files into an electronic profiling folder;
 - (2) identifies the files within the electronic folder that can be printed and/or converted for downstream visualization, content searching, and meta-data searching;
 - (3) identifies duplicate files and/or documents that can be eliminated from the electronic folder;
 - (4) (optionally) identifies corrupted files that can be exported for further processing;
 - (5) (optionally) identifies, cleans, and/or deletes and/or exports virus infected files/documents from the electronic folder;
 - (6) (optionally) identifies, decodes/decrypts, and/or deletes and/or exports encoded/encrypted files/documents from the electronic folder;
 - (7) creates an image of selected files in the electronic folder and appends meta-data associated with each file/document converted to the image;
 - (8) (optionally) time-stamps and digitally authenticates each non-editable image and associated meta-data to protect against future manipulation or destruction;
 - (9) exports each image and associated meta-data to an image viewer, and/or a printer, and/or a computer configured to search the image's meta-data;
 - (10) creates one or more master text files, to include associated meta-data, containing the contents of one or more files from the electronic folder;

- (11) (optionally) time-stamps and digitally authenticates the one or more master text files to protect against future manipulation or destruction;
and
- (12) exports the one or more text files containing the contents of some or all of the selected files, along with associated meta-data, to an image viewer, and/or a printer, and/or a computer configured to search the contents of the text file(s) and/or the meta-data of the text file(s).